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Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No. 09/373,230	Applicant(s) OKMURA ET AL.
	Examiner DONG JIANG	Art Unit 1646

All Participants:**Status of Application:** after non-final(1) DONG JIANG. (3) _____.(2) Allen Yun. (4) _____.**Date of Interview:** 12 February 2010**Time:** _____**Type of Interview:**

- Telephonic
 Video Conference
 Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No

If Yes, provide a brief description: _____.

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

Prior art documents discussed:

Part II.**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

The examiner contacted the applicant, discussing potential allowance with proposed claim amendment. The examiner indicated that the recitation "at least (i) one or two amino acids" (line 7) still reads on functional variant, which may or may not share sequence similarity to the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2, and suggested to eliminate the term "at least". The examiner also suggest, for claim 27, to add "variant of" after "the isolated" in line 3 since the claim depends on claim 26. Applicants agreed to consider the examiner's suggestions.

Part III.

- It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

/Dong Jiang/
 Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1646

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)